



ESTES PARK

... gateway to the Rocky Mountain National Park ...

We did not stay long in Denver, maybe a mistake. But after 3 days in which we got some repairs done on the RV, did we head back to the mountains. We filled up our supplies at Trader Joe's, which means for the next few weeks we have good cheese, bread, beer and wine in stock. We are in Colorado, so we can buy weed at every corner (which Beate and me enjoy), but beer and wine cannot be bought in supermarkets. That you need to buy in liquor stores, but you cannot have a chain since there is only one license per name. So the Trader Joe's, which has the license, is on the other side of town. But we still do it for our beloved Merlot and Chardonnay for \$1.99 ea!





Rocky Mountain Nationalpark



We could probably find a cheaper place to park our RV but not more beautiful. The sight is magnificent, and the weather gods are on our side. We are standing only a few minutes away from the entrance to the National Park. We are visited everyday by a herd of Elk. And we are exploring the area with our hikes. In the small town of Estes Park we have everything we need, even Oktoberfest beer on tap.





I bet that there are higher mountains in Colorado, but the constellation of peaks, forests, canyons, lakes in this National Park is one of a kind. Once again I must say, that these National Parks are the best inventions of the Americans!

Fall in this area means rutting season for stags. A great spectacle when you see a bull wandering around in the grass or the campground in the hunt for a mating partner. But we are not the only one here for this kind of Peep Show.



AND THE WINNER IS...

O my God, what a hit. 39 people send answers to our riddle and about half of them were correct. We did not expect that. It was also great to see that some people answered the same thing as Beate and me did in the beginning: a place for animals to eat or a fire pit. But it is a Frisbee Golf target.

Winner is my german friend Rudi Schoen!



Disk Golf goal

LOST AND FOUND OTHER THINGS TO BE MENTIONED



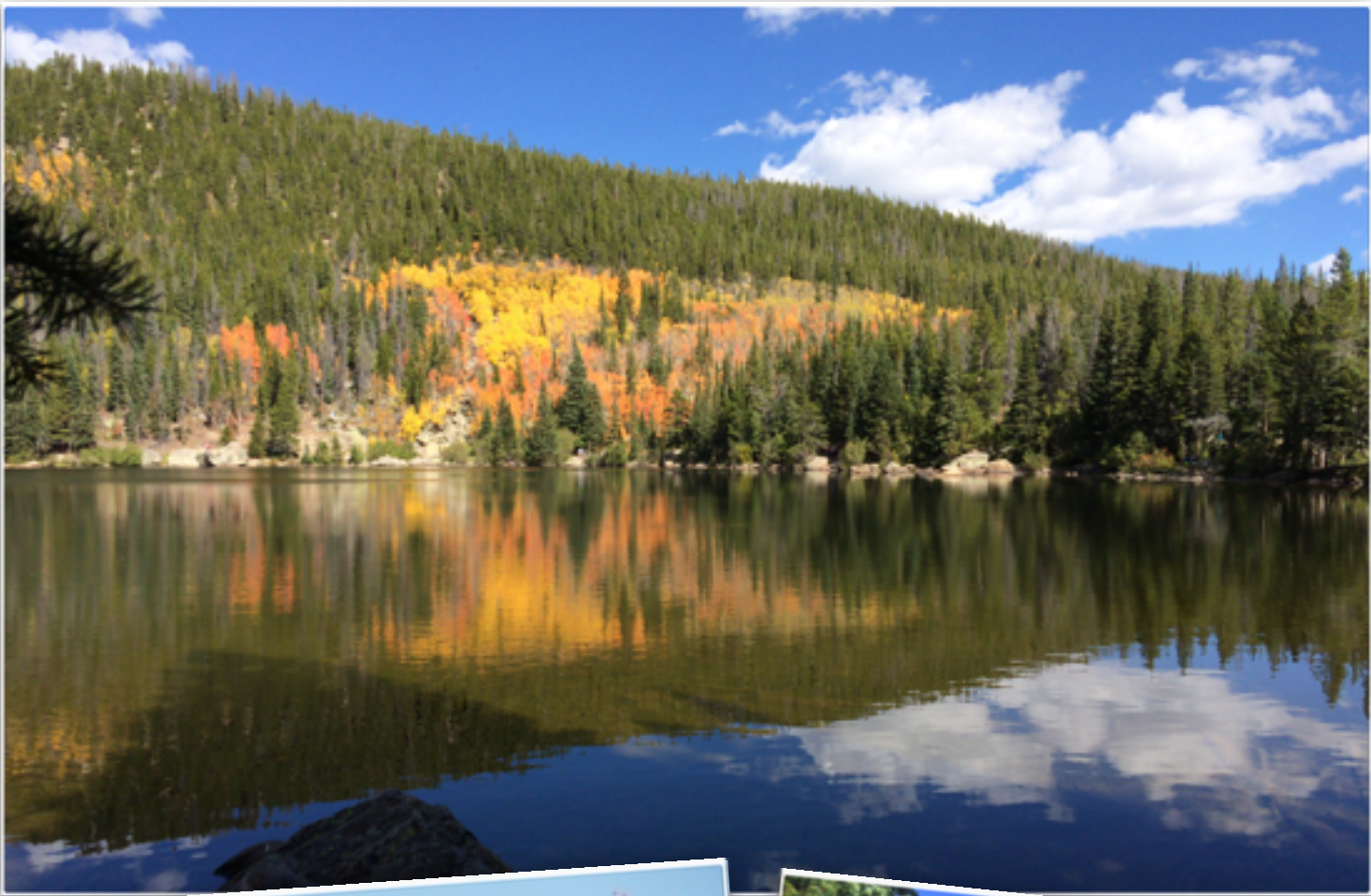
We are not starving, don't worry. Hiking makes us hungry, and since there are no stands which sell Bratwurst we are "forced" to eat what the supermarket has on sale. So we have meat with kale, which is a meal we love.



Cleaning is also on our daily agenda. Beate usually cleans the inside while I am in charge of the outside cleaning.

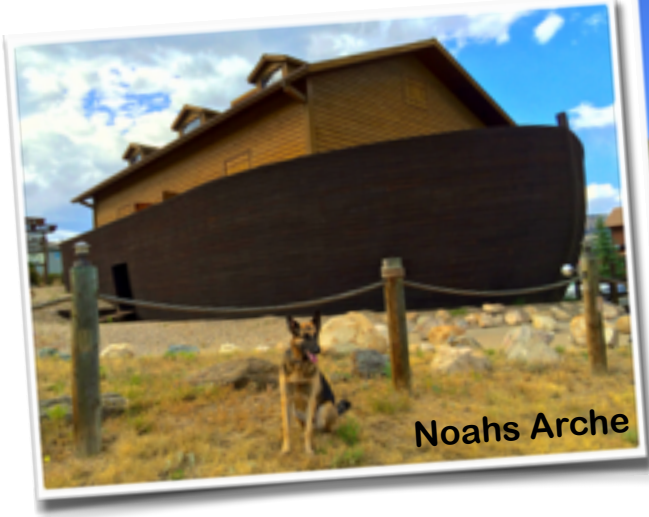






autumn in 3500 meters - the aspen are "burning"

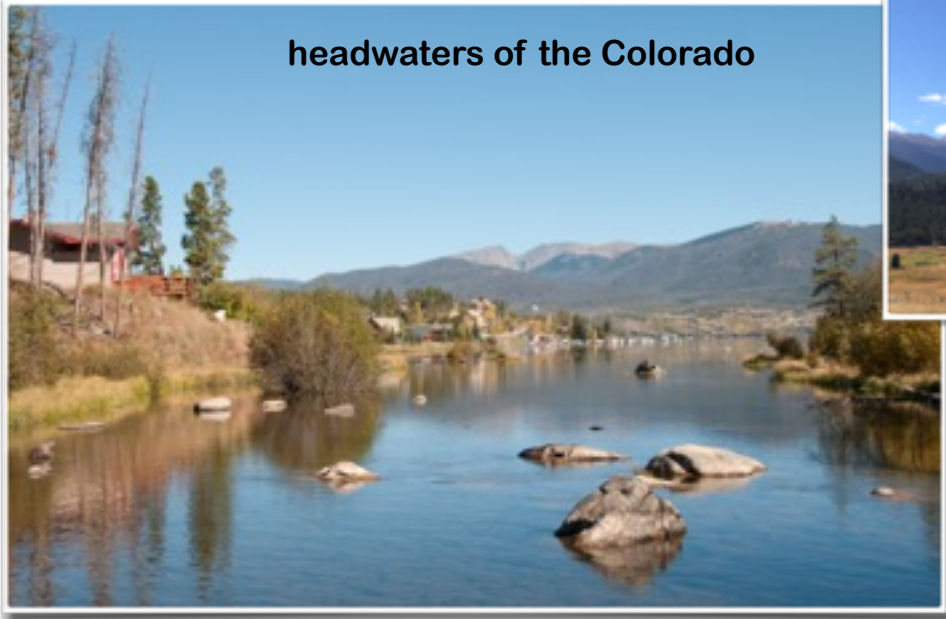




Noahs Arche



headwaters of the Colorado



our campground





next goal: Buffalos in South Dakota



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Thats it for today. Have a nice week!

Beate, Rudy and Noah

